(b) the tonnage handled by the major Ports in the Country during the last three years;

(c) by when capacity of the Ports is likely to be increased, keeping abreast with the cargo to and fro India;

(d) whether Indian ship-owners are able to earn revenue at par with the international fleet owners; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING (SHRI DILIP KUMAR MANSUKHLAL GANDHI): (a) 343.95 million tonnes per annum (MTPA) as on 31.3.2002.

(b) The traffic handled by the major ports during the last three years is given below:

Year	Tonnage handled (in million tonnes)
1999-2000	271.92
2000-2001	281.11
2001-2002	287.59

(c) Enhancement of capacity in the major ports is a part of the on-going process of their development, keeping in view the demands of maritime trade. The aggregate capacity of the major ports, as on 31st March, 2002, was more than the traffic handled by them as will be seen from replies to parts (a) and (b) above. Thus the major ports have already reached a stage where the capacity available exceeds the traffic. This trend is expected to be maintained.

(d) and (e) Revenue earning of ship owners is a function of various factors including prevalent market forces, tax regime etc. Any comparison, in absolute terms, between different categories of ship owners will not be tanable.

Bill on sexual harassment at work place

†1967. SHRIMATI CHANDRA KALA PANDEY:
SHRIMATI SAROJ DUBEY:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(a) whether any Bill regarding sexual harassment at work place is pending with Government; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (DR. SANJAY PASWAN): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

Old Age Homes in A.P.

1968. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH:
SHRI K. KALAVENKATA RAO:

Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the details of Old Age Homes being operated in the State of Andhra Pradesh during the last three years;

(b) the total number of Old Age Homes for which various organizations approached Government to run these homes;

(c) the amount of expenditure sanctioned to Old Age Homes and whether any external financial assistance is also being obtained to operate them; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (DR. SANJAY PASWAN): (a) and (b) The total number of old age homes (OAH) in operation in the State of Andhra Pradesh financially assisted under the Plan Scheme "Integrated Programme for Older Persons" during the course of last three years are given as under:

1999-2000	2000-01	2001-02
89 OAHs	81 OAHs	94 OAHs

The number of organizations which approached this Ministry during the last three years is as under:

1999-2000	2000-01	2001-02
85 NGOs	77 NGOs	90 NGOs